



# Meeting Notice

## Proposed Funding for Water Quality Improvement and Protection Projects

from Ecology's Water Quality Program

**A public meeting  
will be held on  
June 9, 2004**

Beginning at  
10:00 a.m.

Pierce County  
Library  
Administrative  
Service Center

3005 112<sup>th</sup> St. East  
(Rooms A, B, & C)

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The Washington State Department of Ecology (Ecology) invites you to attend a public meeting to discuss the Draft Offer and Applicant List for the Centennial Clean Water Fund, the federal Clean Water Act Section 319 Nonpoint Source Fund, and the Washington State Water Pollution Control Revolving Fund for state fiscal year 2005 (FY 2005). Ecology welcomes your comments on the draft list.

Ecology proposes to award approximately \$16.8 million from the Centennial Clean Water Fund, \$2.2 million from the Clean Water Act Section 319 Nonpoint Source Fund, and \$89.9 million from the Washington State Water Pollution Control Revolving Fund to fund 41 activity and facility projects during the FY 2005 funding cycle.

The Centennial Clean Water Fund (Centennial) is funded through the state Water Quality Account, which was established by a 1986 law and provides financial assistance to a number of state water quality programs. Ecology offers these grants and loans to local governments, Native American tribes, and other public entities for water pollution control projects.

Ecology also administers the federal Clean Water Act Section 319 Nonpoint Source Fund. This fund provides grants to local governments, Native American tribes, state agencies, and nonprofit organizations to address nonpoint source pollution and to improve and protect water quality. Nonpoint source pollution includes many diffuse sources of pollution such as stormwater runoff from urban development, agricultural and timber practices, failing septic systems, pet waste, gardening, and other activities.

Additionally, Ecology administers the Washington State Water Pollution Control Revolving Fund. This program uses federal funding from the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency and appropriations from the state's Water Quality Account to provide low-interest loans to local governments, Native American tribes, and other public entities. The loans are primarily for upgrading or expanding water pollution control facilities, such as public sewage and stormwater plants, and for activities to address estuary management and nonpoint source water quality problems.

The proposed projects will help improve and protect water quality for swimming, boating, fish habitat, and other important uses.

If you have questions about the draft list, funding programs, or the public meeting, contact Jeff Nejedly at (360) 407-6566.

For more information about the draft list and water quality financial assistance, visit Ecology's Web page at: <http://www.ecy.wa.gov/programs/wq/links/funding.html>

### **Driving Directions to Pierce County Library Administrative Service Center**

**From I-5:** Take exit 127 east – Hwy 512, Puyallup. Go about 3.5 miles and take Portland Avenue exit right (south) to 112<sup>th</sup> Street. Go left on 112<sup>th</sup> about ½ mile to Waller Road. The PAC building is just past the intersection on the left.

**From Hwy. 410:** Take Hwy. 167 west at Sumner about ½ mile to the exit for Hwy. 161 and Hwy. 512. Stay on 512 west to Canyon Road. Go left (south) on Canyon to 112<sup>th</sup> Street. Go right on 112<sup>th</sup> about 1.5 miles to the PAC building on right.